

CURRICULUM VITAE

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ACADEMIC EDUCATION

1993	Ph.D.	University of Washington	Anthropology
1989	M.A.	University of Washington	Anthropology
1981	M.A.	University of Washington	Nursing
1977	B.S.N.	University of Washington	Nursing

DISSERTATION/THESIS

1993 Making meaning of illness, dying and death in the Kingdom of Tonga. Ph.D. Dissertation, Department of Anthropology, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington.

1981 Social network analysis of terminally ill Skid Road residents. Master's Thesis, School of Nursing, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington.

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2006	Ethnographer Consultant	Public Health – Seattle & King County, National HIV Behavioral Surveillance
2001-present	Research Associate Professor	Department of Psychosocial & Community Health, School of Nursing, UW
2001- present	Adjunct Research Associate Professor	Department of Anthropology, College of Arts and Sciences, UW Department of Epidemiology, School of Public Health & Community Medicine, UW
1996-2001	Research Assistant Professor	Department of Anthropology, UW
1995-2001	Research Assistant Professor	Department of Psychosocial & Community Health, School of Nursing, UW
1992, 93	Lecturer	Department of Anthropology, UW
1987	Lecturer	Community Health Care Systems, School of Nursing, UW
1984-86	Lecturer	Cancer Nursing Specialty, Yale School of Nursing, Yale University
1981-83	Clinical Nurse Specialist	Oncology Services, Seattle-King County Visiting Nurse Services, Seattle, Washington
1977-79	Assistant Head Nurse	Acute Medical Unit, Harborview Medical Center, Seattle, Washington
1976	Clinic Nurse	Aboriginal Medical Centre, Sydney, Australia

HONORS

2006	Member, Secretary's Advisory Committee on Genetics, Health, and Society, NIH
2006	Research Affiliate, UW Center for AIDS Research
2000	Certificate of Merit, Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research
1999-present	Advisor, Polynesian Student Association, University of Washington
1997-present	Core Faculty, Institute for Public Health Genetics, University of Washington
1994	Fellow, Association for Social Anthropology in Oceania
1993-1995	Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Women's Health Research, University of Washington
1987-1990	Predoctoral Fellow, Parent & Child Nursing, University of Washington

AWARDS AND RESEARCH SUPPORT

02/06-02/07	Principal Investigator) Pacific Island Youth Survey. Royalty Research Fund, UW.
09/04-08/09	(Director) Gender Disparities Core, Center for Women's Health and Gender Research. (PI: Margaret Heitkemper, Nursing), National Institute of Nursing Research, NIH.
09/02 – 06/07	(Co-Investigator) Center for Health Disparities Research. (PI: Bobbie Berkowitz, Nursing), National Institute of Nursing Research, NIH.
06/04 – 05/05	(Co-Investigator) Genetic Services Policies. (PI: Carolyn Watts, Health Services), HRSA, DOH.
04/02 – 12/05	(Co-Investigator) Balancing Hope and Truth-telling for Patients with Cancer or COPD. (PI: J. Randall Curtis, Medicine). National Institute of Nursing Research, NIH.
10/01 – 03/05	(Consultant) Differential Effectiveness in Drug Prevention Programs. (PI: Gerald Herting, Sociology), National Institute of Drug Abuse, NIH.
10/01-09/04	(Co-Investigator) Center for Genomics and Public Health. (PI: Karen Edwards, Epidemiology), CDC.
09/97 – 07/03	(Principal Investigator) HIV/AIDS Prevention and Pacific Islander Adolescents. National Institute of Nursing Research, NIH.
09/00 – 10/02	(Co-Investigator) Health Literacy and Latina Parents. (PI: Frances Munet-Vilaro, Nursing), Center for Women's Health Research Administrative Supplement, National Institute of Nursing Research, NIH.
09/99 – 9/02	(Co-Investigator) Improving Clinician-Family Communication in the ICU (PI: J. Randall Curtis, Medicine), National Institute of Nursing Research, NIH.
07/99 – 6/00	(Principal Investigator) Assessing Genetic Knowledge and Attitudes in Two Populations. (Co-investigator: Karen Edwards, Epidemiology), Center for Ecogenetics and Environmental Health Intramural Research Program, UW.
11/96 - 2/98	(Principal Investigator) Taboo Talk: Investigating Ways to Study HIV/AIDS Risk Behavior with U.S. Pacific Island Adolescents. School of Nursing, Intramural Research, UW.
11/94 - 11/96	(Principal Investigator) Pacific Islander Experience of Illness and Use of Health Care Services in the King County Area: A Pilot Study. Center for Women's Health Research, School of Nursing, UW.
01/90 – 01/92	Death and Dying Related Belief in the Kingdom of Tonga. Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, grant to aid dissertation field research.

RESEARCH TRAINING GRANTS

- 08/04 - 07/07 (Consultant) Domestic Violence Prevention for African American Women. (PI: Sheryl Tyson), KO1, National Institute of Nursing Research, NIH.
- 07/02 – 04/07 (Consultant) Complementary and Alternative Medicine and Nursing. (PI: Margaret Heitkemper), National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine, NIH.
- 07/01 – 06/10 (Mentor) Biobehavioral Cancer Prevention and Control Training Program. (PI: Donald Patrick, School of Public Health and Community Medicine), National Cancer Institute.
- 07/01 – 03/03 (Co-Primary Investigator) Infectious Disease and Infection Nursing Specialization. (PI: Margaret Heitkemper), HRSA.
- 07/01 – 06/05 (Consultant) Measuring Quality of Care for Homeless Adolescents. (PI: Josephine Ensign), R08, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality.
- 7/98 – 6/01 (Faculty) Advanced Nurse Education (Advanced Genetics Nursing Program), (PI: Betty Gallucci), HRSA, Bureau of Health Professions.
- 7/87 – 2/03 (Sponsor and Faculty) Women’s Health Nursing Research Institutional Training Grant (PI: Marcia Killien), National Institute of Nursing Research, NIH.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Journals

- McGrath, BB**, Puzan, E. 2004. Gender Disparities in Health: Attending to the Particulars. *Nurs Clinics of N America* 37:37-51.
- McGrath, BB. 2003. A View from the Other Side: Place of Spirits in the Tongan Social Field. *Culture, Medicine and Psychiatry*, 27(1):29-48.
- Harrison T, Hindorff LA, Kim H, Wines RCM, Bowen DJ, **McGrath BB**, Edwards KL. 2003. Family History of Diabetes as a Potential Public Health Tool, *Am J of Prev Medicine*, 24:152-59.
- Curtis JR, Engelberg RA, Wenrich MD, Nielsen EL, Shannon SE, Treece PD, Tonelli MR, Patrick DL, Robins LS, **McGrath BB**, Rubinfeld GD. 2002. Studying Communication About End-of-Life Care During the ICU Family Conference: Development of a Framework. *J of Critical Care* 17:147-160.
- McGrath, BB. 2002. Seattle *fa’a Samoa*. *The Contemporary Pacific*, 14(2):307-340.
- McGrath, BB. 1999. Health and Healing in Contemporary Tonga. *Pacific Health Dialog* 62):265-267.
- McGrath, B.B. 1999. Swimming from island to island: Healing practice in Tonga. *Medical Anthropology Quarterly* 13(4):483-505.
- McGrath, B.B. 1999. Illness as a problem of meaning: Moving culture from the classroom to the clinic. *Advances in Nursing Science*, 21(2):17-29.
- McGrath, B.B. 1986. The social networks of terminally ill Skid Road residents: An analysis. *Public Health Nursing*, 3(3), 192-205.
- Tornberg, M., Benoliel, JQ., McGrath, BB. 1984. Oncology Transition Services: Partnerships of Nurses and Families. *Cancer Nursing*, 7(2), 131-7.

Book Chapters

- McGrath, BB. 2004. Tongans. In: Ember, C. and Ember, M. (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Medical Anthropology: Health and Illness in the World's Cultures (Vol. 2)*, Kluwer Academic Publishers, New York. pp. 980-990.
- McGrath, BB. 2000. Some Peoples, If You Marry, You Marry to Everybody: A Tongan Life Story. In Pamela Stewart and Andrew Strathern, (eds), *Identity Work: Constructing Pacific Lives* (pp 29-43). Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press.
- McGrath, BB. 1998. Through the eyes of a child: A gaze more pure? In Juliana Flinn, Leslie Marshall, Jocelyn Armstrong (eds.), *Fieldwork and families: Constructing New Models for Ethnography Research*. (pp. 60-70). Honolulu, HI: University of Hawaii Press.
- McGrath, B.B. 1987. Cancer Epidemiology: Terminology. In: *Oncology Nursing Core Curriculum* Oncology Nursing Society, (pp29-34). Philadelphia: WB Saunders.

Published Reviews

- McGrath, BB. 2005. [Review of the book *Tongans overseas: between two shores*]. *Anthropological Forum* 15 (1):88-90.
- McGrath, BB. 2002 [Review of the book *An Historical Perspective of Helping Practices Associated with Birth, Marriage and Death Among Chamorros in Guam*] *The Contemporary Pacific*, 14(2):496-499.
- McGrath, BB. 2002 [Review of the video *The Pattera of Guam: Their Story and Legacy*] *The Contemporary Pacific*, 14(2):494-496.
- McGrath, BB and Ka'ili, T. 2002. [Review of the book *Queen Salote of Tonga: The Story of an Era, 1900-196*]. *Pacific Affairs* 75(4):657-659.

Published Abstracts

- McGrath, BB. 2002. "Project *Talanoa*: An HIV Prevention Project with U.S. Pacific Islanders" (abstract). Western Institute of Nursing, Research Conference, "Health Disparities: Meeting the Challenge" (Palm Springs, CA, April 2002). *Communicating Nursing Research*, 35:322.
- Heitkemper, M., Killien, M., Lentz, M., Landis, C., **McGrath, B.**, Jarrett, M. 2000. Advancing Women's Health Care Across the Lifespan. *Communicating Nursing Research*, 33, 29-31.
- Killien, M. & **McGrath, B.** 2000. Advancing Knowledge of Sociocultural Environments for Women's Health. *Communicating Nursing Research*, 33, 36-47.

PRESENTATIONS

- "Genomics and Kinship: Constructed Meanings of Family." Society for Applied Anthropology/Society for Medical Anthropology joint annual meeting, Vancouver 2006.
- "Conducting Health Disparities Research." Working within Communities: Research Institute Spring 2006. Center for the Advancement of Health Disparity Research, Hawaii 2006.
- "HIV/AIDS Prevention and Pacific Islander Adolescents." 17th Annual Pacific Nursing Research Conference, Hawaii, 2004.
- "Project Talanoa: A Teen Health Program in U.S." Tonga History Association, Nuku'alofa, Tonga, 2003.
- "Kinship, Inheritance, and Genes: When Family Means More (Or Less) Than Genetics." National Institute of Nursing Research, "Linking the Double Helix with Health: Genetics in Nursing Research." Washington D.C., 2003.
- "Project Talanoa" Western Institute of Nursing, Research Conference, "Health Disparities: Meeting the Challenge." Invited Poster Session, Palm Springs, Ca, 2002.
- "The Complexity of the Tongan Diaspora: Tales from the Field," with co-presenter Tevita Ka'ili. Tonga History Conference, Tākanga 'Enau Fohé: Tonga and its Diasporic Communities in the 21 Century. Salt Lake City, Utah, 2001.

- “Project Talanoa: Teens Choosing Healthy Lives.” Friends of the NINR, “Science in Service to the Nation’s Health.” Invited Scientific Poster Session, Washington D.C., 2000.
- “We *Can* Do It—Should We? Social Implications.” Genetics in the New Millennium: Myth, Medicine & Public Health. Fifth Annual Summer Institute, Pharmaceutical Outcomes Research & Policy Program & Public Health Genetics in the Context of Law, Ethics, and Policy, Seattle, 2000.
- “Dancing on the Border: Young U.S. Pacific Island Women in a Transnational World. 11th International Congress on Women’s Health Issues. San Francisco, 2000.
- “Social Implications of The New Genetics: Who Gets to Decide?” Plenary panel: “Genetics, Health Care, and the Law.” Sponsored by the Washington State Supreme Court and Office of State Insurance Commissioner, Office, Olympia, Washington, 1999.
- “Methods in Social Research.” Women’s Health Research in the Next Millennium. Center for Women’s Health Research Summer Institute, Seattle, 1999.
- “Genes R Us.” Department of Anthropology Colloquium Series, Seattle, 1999.
- “Facing Death: Cross-Cultural and Historical Perspectives.” Keynote address: “Memory and Mourning: American Expressions of Grief.” Washington State History Museum, 1997.
- “Managing Medicine: History, Politics, and Social Change in the Kingdom of Tonga.” The Society for Applied Anthropology/Society for Medical Anthropology Annual Conference, Seattle, 1997.
- “Some Peoples If You Marry, You Marry Everybody.” Association for Social Anthropology in Oceania Annual Meeting, Kona, Hawaii, 1996.
- “Relations of Power: Strength of Family in the Field.” Association for Social Anthropology in Oceania Annual Meeting, San Diego, 1994.
- “Enduring Acts: Funeral Rituals in Contemporary Tonga.” Tongan Historical Conference, Tonga, 1993.
- “Swimming from Island to Island: Illness Knowledge and Practice.” Tongan Historical Conference, Institute for Polynesian Studies, Laie, Hawaii, 1992.
- “Rituals during Terminal Illness: Ethical Dilemmas for Anthropologists in Clinical Settings.” Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 1989.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Anthropology Association
 American Nurses’ Association
 Association for Social Anthropology in Oceania
 Sigma Theta Tau
 Society for Applied Anthropology
 Society for Medical Anthropology
 Tonga History Association

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES/COMMUNITY SERVICE

Faculty Advisor, Polynesian Student Association, UW (1999 - present).
 Member, Honor’s Council, University Honor’s Program (1995 - present)
 Member, Walker-Ames/Danz Lectureship Committee (1996 – present)
 Co-chair, Psychosocial and Community Health, Human Subjects Review Committee (1995 – present)
 Member Academic Program Committee, and Faculty, Institute of Public Health Genetics, School of Public Health and Community Medicine (1997 – present).
 Mentor, Ronald E. McNair Program, 2002.
 Member, Institutional Review Board, Department of Health, State of Washington (9/00 to present)
 Grant reviewer, NIH Special Emphasis Panel, UW Royal Research Fund
 Manuscript reviewer, *Current Anthropology*, *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*, *Social Science & Medicine*, *Pacific Studies*, *The Contemporary Pacific*.
 Book reviewer, *University of Washington Press*, *University of Hawaii Press*

